

Fair Political Practices Commission
Memorandum

To: Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Hodson, Huguenin, Leidigh, and Remy
From: Michael B. Salerno, Acting Executive Director
Subject: Executive Director's Report
Date: March 28, 2007

This is a summary of administrative activity and other matters since the report sent to you prior to the last Commission meeting.

PERSONNEL

Scott Hallabrin has been appointed as General Counsel and Susie Swatt as Special Consultant to the Chairman. Kim Truong has joined the staff as Commission Assistant. Jon Matthews is leaving his position as Information Officer to pursue other career opportunities and spend more time with his family. Some of his duties are being reassigned and Roman Porter is filling in as the interim spokesperson. Former Executive Director Mark Krause has left the Commission to accept a position with Pacific Gas and Electric and former General Counsel Luisa Menchaca has joined the Commission's Enforcement Division.

STAFF PROJECTS

Filing Officers Seminars:

Cynthia Jones and Kevin Moen presented three seminars at our Sacramento office.
Adrianne Korchmaros and Tara Stock present a seminar in Bakersfield.

Filers Seminars:

Adrianne Korchmaros presented seminars for the City of Santa Clarita and Bay Area Transit Districts.
Trish Mayer presented a seminar to the Port of San Diego.

Outreach:

Tara Stock presented an outreach to the CSAC Excess Insurance Authority.

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODES

Pursuant to Section 87300 of the Government Code and Commission Regulation 18750.1, state and multi-county agencies seeking to adopt or substantively amend a conflict-of-interest code must submit the proposed code to the Commission for review and approval. The Technical Assistance Division has reviewed and, since the last agenda, I have approved the following conflict-of-interest codes:

Code Adoptions:

Central Coast Alliance for Health
California Enterprise Alliance Development Authority

Code Amendments:

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (new positions)
Los Rios Community College District (new positions)
Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (new positions)
CA Joint Powers Insurance Authority (new positions)
Yuba Sutter Mental Health Services (new positions)
Employment Training Panel (new disclosure categories)

FINDINGS OF PROBABLE CAUSE

There were none.

REQUESTS FOR EXTENSION OF COMMITTEE TERMINATION

The Klehs Committee 2006 (ID #1275405) – A request to reopen the committee was granted on March 20, 2007.

Murray for Assembly (ID #1272913) – A request to reopen the committee was granted on March 20, 2007.

McGill for Assembly (ID #1272450) – A request to reopen the committee was granted on March 26, 2007.

ORDERS

Kenton A. Weir – Order executed pursuant to Section 87207 of the Government Code on March 19, 2007, relative to the disclosure of clients on Mr. Weir's Statement of Economic Interests.

Appeal of Jeff Diamond from the Decision of the California Department of Health Services – Order executed pursuant to Section 87307 of the Government Code on March 16, 2007, to the Department of Health Services relative to revision of its Conflict-of-Interest Code.